



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Woodruff High

Spartanburg 4

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 840

Principal: Karen E. Neal

Superintendent: Dr. W. Rallie Liston

Board Chair: Mr. Milton Smith

PERFORMANCE

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD | AYP STATUS | NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS |
|------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| 2008 | Excellent | Good | TBD | Met | N/A |
| 2007 | Excellent | Excellent | Gold | Met | N/A |
| 2006 | Excellent | Good | Gold | Met | N/A |

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 5 | 7 | 19 | 3 | 0 |

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are High Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

| | Our High School | | High Schools with Students Like Ours | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Passed 2 subtests (%) | 88.0% | 92.4% | 79.9% | 82.8% |
| Passed 1 subtest (%) | 5.2% | 4.8% | 11.2% | 9.9% |
| Passed no subtests (%) | 6.8% | 2.8% | 8.9% | 7.6% |

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

| | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|--|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| | 96.9% | 93.5% |

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

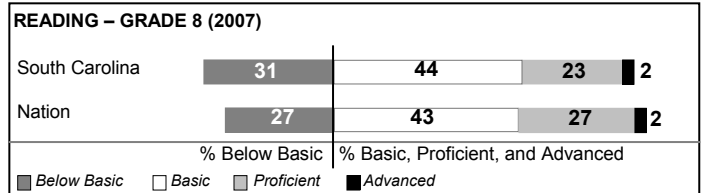
| | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Number of students | 147 | 297 |
| Number of Diplomas | 130 | 215 |
| Rate (%) | 88.4% | 73.8% |

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

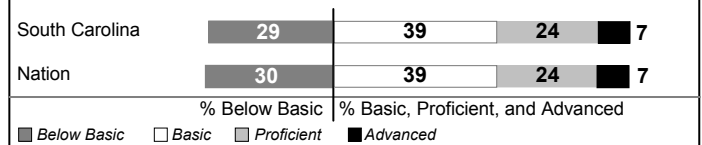
| % of students scoring 70 or above on: | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2 | 85.7% | 77.7% |
| English 1 | 64.2% | 67.5% |
| Physical Science | 47.9% | 60.3% |
| All Tests | 65.1% | 68.1% |

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

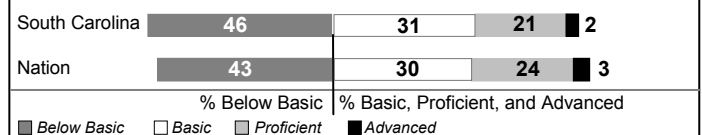
* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



MATH – GRADE 8 (2007)



SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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SCHOOL PROFILE

| | Our School | Change from Last Year | High Schools with Students Like Ours | Median High School |
|--|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Students (n=840) | | | | |
| Retention rate | 3.1% | Down from 4.5% | 4.9% | 6.1% |
| Attendance rate | 94.7% | Down from 95.2% | 95.0% | 95.0% |
| Eligible for gifted and talented | 6.1% | Down from 9.6% | 12.2% | 8.3% |
| With disabilities other than speech | 7.0% | Down from 7.4% | 13.8% | 13.0% |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses | 1.1% | Up from 0.6% | 1.6% | 1.5% |
| Enrolled in AP/IB programs | 35.2% | Down from 38.7% | 17.8% | 11.4% |
| Successful on AP/IB exams | 28.6% | N/A | 58.1% | 54.3% |
| Eligible for LIFE Scholarship | 31.5% | Up from 29.4% | 31.5% | 30.5% |
| Annual dropout rate | 0.2% | Down from 1.2% | 4.0% | 3.5% |
| Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations | 0.0% | No Change | 1.2% | 3.1% |
| Enrollment in career/technology courses | 472 | Up from 428 | 652 | 559 |
| Career/technology students attaining technical skills | 96.2% | Up from 95.3% | 80.5% | 79.6% |
| Teachers (n=47) | | | | |
| Teachers with advanced degrees | 70.2% | Up from 63.8% | 61.6% | 57.4% |
| Continuing contract teachers | 80.9% | Up from 78.7% | 70.8% | 69.6% |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates | 4.8% | Down from 7.1% | 5.6% | 8.7% |
| Teachers returning from previous year | 87.8% | Down from 90.6% | 85.9% | 85.0% |
| Teacher attendance rate | 96.6% | Up from 96.0% | 95.6% | 95.4% |
| Average teacher salary | \$47,200 | Up 3.0% | \$46,904 | \$46,061 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers | 0.0% | Down from 1.7% | 0.8% | 4.3% |
| School | | | | |
| Principal's years at school | 5.5 | Up from 4.5 | 5.0 | 3.0 |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects | 27.2 to 1 | Up from 26.5 to 1 | 27.8 to 1 | 25.4 to 1 |
| Prime instructional time | 90.7% | Up from 90.6% | 89.9% | 89.1% |
| Dollars spent per pupil* | \$7,025 | Down 1.8% | \$6,894 | \$7,279 |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries* | 48.5% | Down from 49.2% | 54.9% | 55.3% |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction* | 54.0% | Down from 55.4% | 59.7% | 60.8% |
| Opportunities in the arts | Good | No Change | Excellent | Excellent |
| SACS accreditation | Yes | No Change | Yes | Yes |
| Character development program | Excellent | No Change | Good | Good |
| Modern Language Program Assessment | N/A | N/A | Good | Good |
| Classical Language Program Assessment | N/A | N/A | Excellent | Average |
| % of AYP objectives met | 100.0% | | 92.8% | 90.5% |

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

| | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned | 44 | 135 | 82 |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment | 100.0% | 69.4% | 78.8% |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 100.0% | 79.7% | 78.0% |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations | 100.0% | 78.4% | 71.6% |

*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

"Breaking Records" was the theme for Woodruff High School during 2007-2008. Hard work, commitment, involvement, and communication were essential if we were to maintain the level of excellence necessary to be a No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School. The support of the District 4 community was steadfast in maintaining the tradition of academic excellence, high levels of co-curricular participation, and state-of-the-art facilities.

The senior class led WHS in receiving a cumulative total of \$3,407,914 in scholarships, a record breaking amount. Sixty-two percent of the class received some scholarship award. Thirty-nine seniors received LIFE Scholarships, 31 received HOPE Scholarships, and three were named Palmetto Fellows. With 38% of students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses, WHS ranked at the top in South Carolina in the percentage of students enrolled in AP courses and was named as one of the top 1300 high schools in the nation by Newsweek Magazine, ranking #763. One art student was selected as a top-10 finalist in the Archibald Rutledge Scholarship competition. Sixteen students had work published in the USC Upstate publication, A Near Miss. The WHS band, The Cadets, placed tenth in state competition. One student was selected to all-state chorus, one to all-state band, and one to all-region band.

Success was achieved in the athletic venue also. WHS produced 19 scholar athletes. The girls' soccer team and the wrestling team were upper-state champions. Three teams were region champions, five were runners-up, and 49 students were all-region athletes. In addition, WHS had five all-state athletes and reached the playoffs in 11 sports. Moreover, one Woodruff High School athlete was selected to a state all-star team.

Athletic venues continued to be updated with the opening of the new softball field on the high school campus, the expansion of the Physical Activities Center, and the breaking of ground for a new soccer field on campus. The additional facilities and lighting proved invaluable with the increase in athletic participation by WHS students. School safety was foremost with the development of a traffic plan to reduce student traffic off of Hwy 146 and the plans for keyless entry.

During the 2007-2008 school year, Woodruff High School continued to emphasize self-discipline, student involvement, two-way communication, and caring attitudes. Throughout the school year, the traditions of WHS remained steadfast because of the interest and commitment of the community, students, and staff. This commitment of students, staff, and parents would prove essential as we face 2008-2009 with the aim of "meeting tomorrow's challenges today."

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